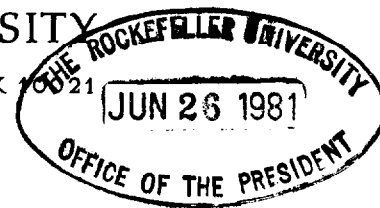




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June 25, 1981

Dr. Joshua Lederberg
President

Dear Josh:

On May 1 and 2, 1981 a meeting of the Principal Investigators for the Biotechnology Resources Program of the Division of Research Resources was held in Washington. The meeting was called by the administration of the BRP to consider some of the serious problems confronting this program. Perhaps most serious was a very severe rescission of the BRP budget for FY 1981, and in effect the BRP administration called the meeting in the hope that the Principal Investigators and their supporting organizations could provide help with some of the problems, including exerting political pressure.

At the meeting the Principal Investigators voted to establish an organization, and a Steering Committee was elected. The name of the organization is the Association for Advanced Technology in Biomedical Sciences, and the chairman of the Steering Committee is Oleg Jardetsky. I attach a copy of the letter received recently from Jardetsky describing the activities of the organization. You will observe that in the last paragraph a call is made for a contribution of money from institutions having Biotechnology Resource Programs. Since Rockefeller has two of these (Bob Schoenfeld's on Microprocessor Technology and mine in Mass Spectrometry), a contribution from Rockefeller would be appropriate. Dr. Schoenfeld joins me in requesting that a contribution be made. Jardetsky suggests a contribution of between \$500 and \$1000 per Resource. I think that a contribution of \$2000 would be in keeping with Rockefeller's position and reputation in the scientific community. ✓

Dr. Schoenfeld and I will be happy to meet with you to discuss any aspects of this request.

Yours truly,

Frank

F.H. Field /380
Professor

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cc: Bob Schoenfeld

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